

## PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q62650

Toshiaki AOAI, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/759,362

Group Art Unit: 1752

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For: ELECTRON BEAM OR X-RAY NEGATIVE-WORKING RESIST

COMPOSITION

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated August 30, 2002, in which the Examiner set forth a three-month period for response, making a response timely if filed on or before December 2, 2002 (November 30, 2002 being a Saturday). Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 3 and 10 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please enter the following amended claims 1 and 9:

1 (amended). A negative-working resist composition for electron beams or X-rays comprising (A) a compound generating an acid and/or radical species by the irradiation of electron beams or X-rays, (B) a resin which is insoluble in water and